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Commission for Postsecondary Education. This would be a first term for Bill. It would run from March of 2004 to January of 2008. His...about 30 years of experience in K-12 education. His career began as a teacher and coach at Harrison High School in 1971. He served as a principal at Mullen High School and, since 1993, a superintendent at Leyton, and recently has also become the superintendent for Potter-Dix. We had the hearing last Tuesday. I will tell you that...remind you, rather, that the Coordinating Commission is a constitutional body that basically has three main objectives: develop an ongoing statewide comprehensive plan for education; identify and enact policies to meet the educational and research and public needs of the state; and also effect...third, effect the best use of available resources through the elimination of unnecessary duplication of programs. So again, our...the committee was unanimous in their support of Bill Pile. So I recommend your support in his confirmation. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the opening on Education confirmation report. Open for discussion. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise in support of Mr. Pile's appointment. And if you'll look on your agenda, there's a resolution that will also be discussed later today in honor of Mr. Pile's service to the state of Nebraska and the citizens. So LR 402 gives you a little more information on what Senator Raikes is referring to. But I think Mr. Pile is an exceptional individual that has a great passion for education and is a great resource for myself and others in our area to talk about issues before us. And I would encourage your confirmation.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Further discussion on the confirmation report? Seeing none, Senator Raikes, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is, shall the confirmation report by the Education Committee be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on the confirmation report offered by the Education Committee. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.